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25X1 coal stocks (expressed in daily requirements) available in the East
25X1 Germany railroad districts between 17 December 1953 and 5 January 1954:

Railroad District	Date							
	17.12.	18.12.	19/20.12.	21.12.	22.12.	23.12.	24/25.12.	26/27.12.
Berlin	12.4	12.7	12.7	13.1	13.2	13.8	13.9	14.1
Greifswald	12.8	12.6	12.7	12.9	13.0	12.9	12.4	12.8
Schwerin	10.0	9.6	10.2	10.0	10.5	10.8	10.1	9.5
Magdeburg	8.9	9.2	8.9	10.2	10.6	10.8	12.2	13.6
Halle	10.5	10.6	10.5	10.8	10.8	11.1	11.2	11.7
Erfurt	11.9	11.6	11.9	11.8	11.7	11.6	11.7	12.2
Dresden	12.1	12.0	12.1	12.0	11.8	11.4	10.9	10.1
Cottbus	10.0	9.6	10.0	9.5	9.0	8.8	8.6	8.4

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Railroad District	28.12.	29.12.	30.12.	31.12.	1.1.54	2/3.1.	4.1.	5.1.
Berlin	15.1	15.0	14.5	13.7	13.0	11.7	11.4	11.4
Greifswald	13.9	13.8	13.6	13.2	12.1	11.1	10.6	10.1
Schwerin	10.0	10.0	9.5	9.7	10.2	8.3	8.0	7.0
Magdeburg	13.7	13.7	13.4	13.3	13.0	12.5	12.6	12.0
Halle	11.5	11.0	10.4	9.5	8.9	7.8	7.4	6.8
Erfurt	12.4	11.7	10.7	9.9	9.0	7.6	7.2	6.6
Dresden	9.6	9.3	8.7	8.1	7.8	7.3	6.7	6.2
Cottbus	8.5	7.7	7.0	6.7	6.4	5.9	5.5	5.0

Total	12.0	11.6	11.0	10.5	9.9	8.9	8.5	8.1	1
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the following coal stocks were available in East Germany between 14 December and 8 January:

Date in December 1953	Hard Coal	Brown Coal Briquettes (in tons)	Shop Coal (in terms of briquette units)
14	169,300	6,900	36,700
16	175,900	6,700	36,200
18	180,700	6,500	37,000
21	185,500	6,200	36,200
23	187,400	6,000	36,200
27	191,800	5,900	36,700
31	168,900	7,200	37,800

Date in January 1954

1	159,500	7,800	37,900
2	141,300	9,800	38,500
4	132,800	13,400	38,400
5	123,000	15,600	35,600
6	113,500	16,400	38,400
7	103,100	17,900	38,600
8	94,600	19,900	37,600

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3. [redacted] the following coal stocks were available in East Germany between 20 December and 5 January:

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Date in December 1953	Hard Coal	Briquettes	Coal Dust	Raw Brown Coal
	in tons			
20	181,996	6,327	267	930
27	191,882	5,883	591	971
Date in January 1954				
1	159,541	7,820	629	1,204
5	123,182	15,607	567	1,276

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4. [redacted] following information on coal imports from Poland: Hard coal shipments from Poland arrive in East Germany via the border stations of Kuestrin-Kietz (for the Berlin area), Forst (for the Halle area), Guben (where most of the coal is transloaded to water to be forwarded via Fuerstenberg), and Horka (for the Dresden-Erfurt area). The shipments arrive at irregular intervals. Some coal shipments also arrive at Stettin and Warnemuende to be forwarded to the Schwerin coal deliveries started in the fall of 1953, it was planned to forward the coal by water. However, this plan could not be carried out.

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1. [redacted] Comment. [redacted] Coal stocks which had been rising slowly prior to late December, are again declining, apparently because of insufficient deliveries from Poland.

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2. [redacted] Comment. Expressed in briquette units, coal stocks available on 8 January amounted to 141,900 tons of hard coal plus 19,900 tons of brown coal briquettes, i.e. a total of 161,800 tons.

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[redacted] According to the daily coal consumption quota of 25,000 tons fixed for December (the quota for January is not yet known), total coal stocks on 8 January represented 6.4 days' requirements which indicates that coal stocks continued to decrease.

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3. [redacted] Comment. The border stations mentioned were reported previously in connection with coal delivered.

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